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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

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TAGS: ACOM, OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJ: TELEPHONE CHARGES FOR KISSINGER VISIT

REF: MOSCOW 5116

1. USSR MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (MINSVIAZ) SENT TELEGRAM TO AT&T LONG LINES NEW YORK DATED MARCH 25 WHICH ADVISED AT&T THAT AT THE REQUEST OF AMERICAN EMBASSY MOSCOW, MINSVIAZ PROVIDED TWO EACH DIRECT TELEPHONE CIRCUITS MOSCOW - NEW YORK FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE SECRETARY AND HIS DELEGATION. THE MESSAGE WENT ON TO RELATE THAT THESE TWO CIRCUITS WERE TERMINATED IN THE MOSCOW RESIDENCE OF THE SECRETARY AND AS SUCH WERE CONSIDERED PRIVATE LEASE LINES.

2. MINSVIAZ MESSAGE TO AT&T CLEARLY INDICATES AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PLACED ORDER FOR SERVICE WHICH DOES NOT AGREE YOUR COMMENT PARA 3 REFTEL.

3. DEPT DID NOT PLACE ANY SPECIFIC ORDER WITH AT&T FOR MOSCOW SERVICE OTHER THAN ASK AT&T TO INSURE PRIORITY CALLING CAPABILITY WAS AVAILABLE ALL TIMES. AS AT&T STATES, THEY DID NOT RPT NOT RECEIVE ANY ORDER FOR LEASED CIRCUITS.

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4. DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVES DID MEET WITH AT&T

(MR. VITT) AND DISCUSSED IN DETAIL AT&T LETTER QUOTED
REFTEL. PURPOSE WAS TO DEVELOP PROCEDURES TO ALLEVIATE
PROBLEMS JUST EXPERIENCED. RUSH

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